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Dr. Jerome Jay Wolken
Eye and Ear Hospital
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Dear Doctor Wolken:

Seymour Hutner suggested I write you for information on a fast scanning microspectrophotometer. We are interested in assembling such a device, with UV capability, for use in a system to detect and characterize microorganisms on planetary surfaces. I would be grateful to you for any publications or other information you can furnish or lend.

In this connection we are looking for a research associate who is strong in optics and electronics to help in the materialization of these and other approaches to experimental exobiology. The salary would be appropriate to the candidate's qualifications at whatever level. A technician in the same field would also have a good opportunity. Any suggestions you might have to help us in this urgent problem would be most welcome.

Yours sincerely,

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Professor of Genetics

Photobiology.

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